WALTER HOFF SEELY 251 FOURTH AVENUE FOUNDED 1898 by Dr ORISON SWETT MARDEN EDITOR NEW YORK GRAMERCY 6221 December 5, 1924 Mr. Charles F. Lummis 200 East Avenue 43 Los Angeles, California Dear Mr. Lummis: It was good to hear from you again, in the form of your circular letter telling about your "Spanish Songs of Old California." As you probably know, anything connected with your locality has a genuine appeal to me, and it is with pleasure that I send you my subscription for one of your books, together with remittance for it. You are doing a very praisworthy thing in undertaking the collection and preservation of these folksongs, and I anticipate much pleasure in becoming acquainted with them. With kind personal regards, believe me WHS/t Encl.

Dec 17, 1924

Walter Hoff Seely, Editor, Success Magazine, 251 Fourth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Seely:-

Thanks for your good letter and them kind words, also for your subscription for one of the Song Books. I have forwarded this to you and feel sure that you will find genuine pleasure in these fine Old Folk Songs. It has been a great task to preserve them—but also a great pleasure. I have the satisfaction now of feeling that I have not merely saved 550 of them from extinction but have put 1400 already into active bloom in the hearts of my countrymen. The little book is already selling in its fifth thousand and though privately printed and without the avenues of trade:

With best wishes of the Seeson.

Sincerely Yours,

CFL/MD

WALTER HOFF SEELY



251 FOURTH AVENUE NEW YORK

GRAMERCY 6221

December 27, 1924

Dear Friend Lummis:

I do not know which I enjoyed the more, the baby or the songs. A charming Spanish woman was at my house one evening this week and ran over the songs and more than ever I congratulate you upon their preservation. It was a fine thing for you to do. I wish I had the leisure to turn in and help you somehow. When I get out to California may be I can.

I send you greetings for the New Year,

not perfunctorily but sincerely.

Faithfully yours

Mr. Charles F. Lummis 200 East Avenue 43 Los Angeles, California